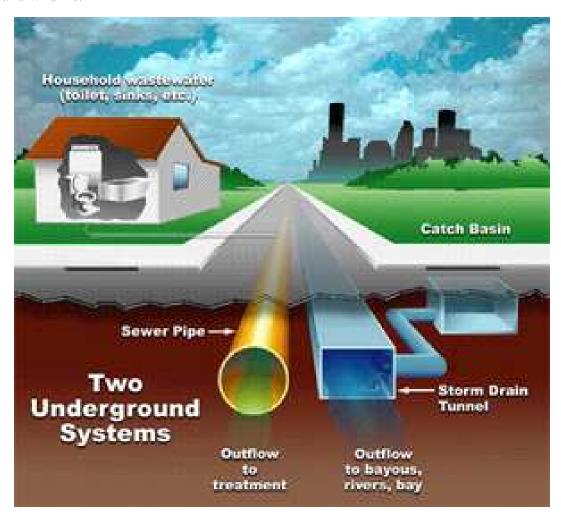
## **Sewer vs. Storm Drain**

There is one key difference between sewer systems and storm drains. Storm drain water is untreated while sewer water is treated at the Gilroy Water Treatment Plant and then discharged back into the environment. Sewers are not located on streets. Carwashes and other designated places may install a sewer to treat outside water. Thus, substances that go into a storm drain are considered pollutants that affect drinking water and wildlife.



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